

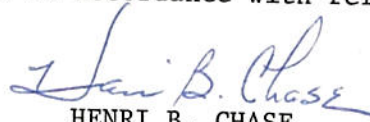


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I. BASIC HISTORY

A. COMMAND ORGANIZATION - Previously submitted.

B. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

The following is a chronological summary of significant COMLATWING ONE operations and events during CY-77

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>SUMMARY</u>
January	Back-in-the-saddle review and safety standdown conducted by LATWING ONE squadrons. VA-15/87 evaluated new A-7E computer program during Weapons Detachment to MCAS Yuma. Participated in an evaluation of the NS Roosevelt Roads target facilities for future CVW training.
February	CLAW-1 attended FLIR demonstration at LTV, Dallas, Texas.
March-May	CLAW-1 conducted Bombing Derby I-77; VA-105 named winner. Participated in the annual A-7 Tactical Manual Review Conference at LTV, Dallas, Texas. Conducted ORE for VA-15/87 in USS AMERICA.
June	CLAW-1 provided TACAIR support for the 11th Special Forces Group, U. S. Army Reserve. VA-105 named COMLATWING ONE Weapons Attack Squadron of the Year.
July	CLAW-1 participated in the COMTACWINGSLANT ORE of CVWR-20 at NAS Fallon, NV. CLAW-1 Change of Command: CAPT H. B. CHASE relieved CAPT M. D. REYNOLDS on 21 July 1977.
August	Commander Light Attack Wing ONE flew an evaluation flight in the TA-7C at LTV, Dallas, Texas. Participated in COMNAVAIRLANT/COMNAVAIRPAC TAC D&E Conference at NAS Oceana, VA.
September	Participated in the operational review of the A-7A/B/C/E aircraft and the B43, 57 and 61 bombs conducted at NAS Alameda, CA and onboard the USS KITTY HAWK (CV-63).
October	Participated in the Navy Mine Warfare Conference in Yorktown, VA. Conducted ORE for VA-82/86 in USS NIMITZ. Participated in FLIR Training Conference at LTV, Dallas, Texas.

MONTH


SUMMARY

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LT	(b) (6)	VA-86
LT	(b) (6)	VA-86
LT	(b) (6)	VA-174
LTJG	(b) (6)	VA-86
LT	(b) (6)	VA-86
LT	(b) (6)	VA-82
LT	(b) (6)	VA-82
LT	(b) (6)	VA-82
LTJG	(b) (6)	VA-82
LT	(b) (6)	VA-174
LT	(b) (6)	VA-15
LT	(b) (6)	VA-83
LT	(b) (6)	VA-81
LTJG	(b) (6)	VA-81
LT	(b) (6)	VA-66
LT	(b) (6)	VA-12
LTJG	(b) (6)	VA-66
LTJG	(b) (6)	VA-12
LT	(b) (6)	CVW-7

CAPTAIN HENRI B. CHASE
UNITED STATES NAVY

Captain Henri B. CHASE was born in (b) (6). He earned his BS from the College of William and Mary and his MS from George Washington University.

In 1955 Captain CHASE entered OCS, receiving his commission in September of that year. Subsequently he attended Navy Flight School and received his wings in March 1957.

After completing all-weather fighter school at NAS Key West, Captain CHASE was attached to Fighter Squadron EIGHTY ONE at NAS Oceana. Other duties include tours with Fighter Squadron FORTY THREE and exchange duty with the Royal Navy at RNAS Lossiemouth, Scotland, and RNAS Yovilton, England and onboard HMS Eagle East of Suez. Captain CHASE is a graduate of the Royal Navy Fighter Weapons School, and the British Tactical Air Strike Force course.

Upon return to the United States, Captain CHASE reported to Fighter Squadron ONE SEVEN FOUR. The squadron later was designated an Attack Squadron and Captain CHASE became an instructor pilot in the first A-7 pilot training program. He then became Operations Officer of Attack Squadron EIGHT SEVEN and deployed to WESTPAC onboard USS TICONDEROGA.

Captain CHASE attended the Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island, following which he reported to Attack Squadron ONE SEVEN FOUR for A-7 refresher training prior to reporting to Attack Squadron ONE HUNDRED FIVE, onboard USS SARATOGA, in October 1970 as Executive Officer.

In ceremonies held onboard USS SARATOGA in July 1971, Captain CHASE assumed command of Attack Squadron ONE HUNDRED FIVE. During his tenure as Commanding Officer, he was the recipient of the 1971 George Washington Honor Medal Award presented by the Freedom Foundation at Valley Forge.

Subsequent to his squadron command tour, Captain CHASE was attached to the staff of Commander U.S. Naval Force, Atlantic Fleet in the office of Air Wing Training.

Captain CHASE commanded Attack Carrier Air Wing SIX from July 1974 to October 1975. During his tour Air Wing SIX was deployed to the Mediterranean onboard USS F. D. ROOSEVELT. Upon return from this cruise the Air Wing was reassigned to the USS AMERICA and transitioned to F-14, A-7E, A-6E, S-3A, and E-2C aircraft.

Following CVW-6, Captain CHASE was attached to the office of the Secretary of the Navy for duties in the Office of Program Appraisal as the Tactical Air Analyst.

Captain CHASE is currently Commander Light Attack Wing ONE, Naval Air Station, Cecil Field, Florida, which he assumed on 21 July 1977. Light Attack Wing ONE comprises twelve (12) fleet A-7E squadrons, one (1) A-7 Replacement Training Squadron, and one (1) TA-4 Instrument/Adversary Training Squadron.

Captain CHASE's awards include the Air Medal, Navy Commendation Medal with Combat "V", Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation and various campaign and service medals.

Captain CHASE is married to the former Miss (b) (6) of (b) (6) and they have four sons; (b) (6) and (b) (6).

